

Matthew O'Brien

One sheet: Couture occasion wear



Three types of people come to Matthew for custom occasion wear: those who know exactly what they want, those who have a special event coming up but no idea what to wear, and those who would like a bespoke fusion of different sources of inspiration that they have seen. Matthew is particularly skilled at teasing out not just what his clients will feel comfortable wearing, but empowering them to try something new, which has a confidence boosting effect. His clever use of lining negates the need for shapewear, and support is built into garments in all the right places, meaning ladies who may never have worn a backless dress before now can.

My bespoke service is for anyone who appreciates fashion but may struggle to find what they want on the high street, or those feeling stuck and in need of a guide towards a new way of dressing. No matter the client's shape, height or sizes - some of my clients are above size 22 - I always make sure that they feel in complete control, so if I've suggested something that they're not one hundred percent convinced about at the sketching stage, I reassure them that they can change or remove it at the fitting. They never do.

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Materials, thousands of options; silks, satins, crepes, laces, beaded, glitter-finished, tulle, jacquard.

Usual production timeframe two months, from initial consultation to first and final fittings.